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Columbia Festival of the Arts Fun Starts Here

Lake Fest

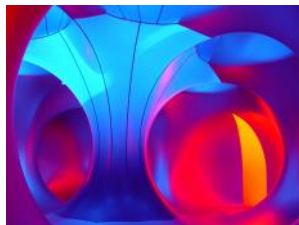
The three-day event is jam packed with live music, kids' entertainment and crafts, a fine arts and craft sale, festival food fare, a Clyde's HowardOnTap Beer Fest, and more! Celebrate Columbia this weekend, June 16, 17, and 18.

Fine Arts & Crafts Show

Seize the opportunity to shop for one of a kind pieces of art, including functional and wearable art at a range of prices. Make sure to stop by the kids' arts & craft table!

Architects of Air: Katena

Katena is an inflatable, multi-room sculpture that people enter to experience the phenomenon of light. This surreal world is an absolute must-see.



Musical Guests

The festival is going to be jam packed with musical guests including the Columbia Concert Band, The Shrapnels, Elikeh, Junkyard Saints, and much more. From jazz to classical, blues to funk, there's music for everybody. While you're at it, discover your rhythm at the interactive music station with Olenka School of Music.



Don't miss all of the wonderful experiences, entertainment, and art this weekend. To find more information about timing and events, please go onto [Columbia Festival's website](#).

Greetings

This weekend kicks off Lake Fest, Columbia Festival of the Arts' celebration of all things fun and funky. There are plenty of free activities and ways to keep cool. I hope you find something you enjoy!

ManyKay

Aaron Neville

On Sunday, June 18 at 7:30 p.m. Aaron Neville returns to the Columbia Festival of the Arts with pianist Michael Goods for an evening of songs and stories at the James Rouse Theatre. He will sing his favorite classics from rhythm and blues, soul, and even the street-corner doo-wop of his youth.

Film Events

Columbia Festival of the Arts is kicking it up a notch this year by bringing in next level film entertainment. Enjoy a weekend of cinematography Saturday, June 24 - Sunday, June 25.

Manual Cinema: The End of TV reflects on late 20th century advertising and culture and how it is mapped onto American imagination.

Sundance Shorts on Tour will have an exclusive screening for the festival.

Sprout Film Festival showcases films related to the field of developmental disabilities, featuring thought provoking, beautiful films for and about individuals with disabilities.

Stoop Storytelling shares personal stories told by the people who've lived them; every day folks with astounding tales.



For tickets, information, and to donate visit [CFA's webpage](#).

Beat the Heat



When summer hits and the weather is right, there are endless outdoor activities that may spark your interest. Unfortunately, too much fun in the sun can be dangerous. Excessive heat

exposure can cause dehydration, which in turn can cause dangerous conditions like heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

No matter what your plans are this summer, you won't want to miss any of them. Combating the toll of heat and sun on your body will keep you healthy and active all summer long. Try a few of these simple precautions, and you'll still be going strong as the leaves start to turn.

- The way you dress can go a long way towards keeping you comfortable when you're outside in the heat. Make sure you wear light colored loose clothes, sunglasses, and hats to protect yourself from the harsh sun.
- Always wear sunscreen. Nothing ruins a good day like a nasty sunburn. Make sure to find high rated, waterproof sunscreen for the poolside. Don't forget to cover areas that burn easily: nose, ears, shoulders, and the back of the neck.
- Drink lots of water. Heat makes you sweat, which cools you down, but that also means you're losing fluids. Reach for a bottle of water before caffeine or alcohol; they will dehydrate you more. If you don't want to skip the cold cocktails, make sure to pair it with a glass of water.
- Avoid peak hours of sunlight when the temperatures and UV rays are at their highest, normally between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. That's the best time to head inside, get food and water, let your body cool down, and maybe even take a nap.

When in doubt, take a rest. If you're feeling overheated, it's a good time to stop, find some shade, and drink more water. Follow these tips to ensure that summer heat doesn't ruin your fun.

Food Drive and Fourth of July

Help Food for Tomorrow collect donations to the Howard County Food Bank as they participate in the Longfellow Friends of the Tradition Fourth Parade on Friday, July 4 at 10:00 a.m.

Please consider donating: cereal, breakfast bars, tuna, meal makers (that can be combined with protein), condiments, baby products, juice boxes, and healthy snacks.

Do you live in Longfellow? If so, look for a flier at your door in the next few weeks. Going to be out of town? You can donate [online](#).



Columbia's 50th Birthday

It is time to cut the cake! Celebrate Columbia's 50th Birthday at the cake cutting ceremony Saturday, June 17 at 7:00 p.m. This is no ordinary birthday party; it's not every year that your home town turns 50 years old.

The birthday organizers have pulled out all of the stops. They've ordered an elaborate five-tiered vanilla cake from Charm City Cakes, which will be decorated to include each and ever one off Columbia's villages. Don't miss out on getting your slice! And while you're at it, come ahead of time and enjoy everything Lakefest has to offer; crafts, music, entertainment, delicious food, and more.

The festival will also feature a Lake Walk, a self-paced interactive experience along the 1.4 miles of path around Lake Kittamaqundi. The route, which begins by Whole Foods, will have 47 different stops with exhibits like facts about Columbia, sidewalk chalk art and a life-sized cardboard cutout of James Rouse, ready for selfies. Take your cake to go and walk around a path of memories and accomplishments. What a time to celebrate how far Columbia has grown.

Guess Who's Also Turning 50?

Join Wilde Lake Community Association and the Wilde Lake Village Center Merchants in celebrating Wilde Lake's 50th Birthday on Wednesday, June 21, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Wilde Lake Village Green and Wilde Lake Village Center courtyard. This free event will feature a magic show, DJ with music & dancing, photo booth, balloon twister, kid's activities and more.

There will be food samples from Village Center merchants Today's Catch, Curry & Kabob and Smoothie King. Alta Wilde Lake will be holding a raffle with fantastic prizes, including gift cards for Macy's and David's Natural Market. For more information, visit [Wilde Lake's website](#).

People Tree Celebration

The People Tree has been the symbol of Columbia for since the very beginning. Officially titled "Tree of Life," this statue represents James Rouse's vision for this town; this is a place where people can grow. On Wednesday, June 21 starting at 5:30 p.m., the community will celebrate this important symbol and the dedication of the new Lakefront Bell Tree at Lake Kittamaqundi.

CA's Lakefront Summer Festival

Another great summer of movies, concerts and much more is beginning with the return of Columbia Association's (CA) annual Lakefront Summer Festival. The [schedule](#) of movies and concerts at this year's Lakefront Summer Festival includes completely free, family-friendly offerings nearly every evening of the week at Lake Kittamaqundi.



Recreation and Parks Summer Concerts

Recreation and Parks' Sunset Serenades is back! Grab a blanket or lawn chair, bring the family, have a picnic and enjoy the sounds of summer! Refreshments available for sale. [Boat Rentals](#) available at Centennial Park, and the [Adventure Shack](#) is open for food sales and refreshments.

Sunset Serenades

Tues. June 27, 7:45 p.m.	Movie Night: Finding Dory
Wed. July 5	Holiday - No Concert
Wed. July 12, 7:00 p.m.	The Scotch Bonnets
Wed. July 19, 7:00 p.m.	Jenee & Black Butterfly
Wed. August 2, 7:00 p.m.	Groove Quest
Wed. August 9, 7:00 p.m.	Gaelic Mishap
Wed. August 23, 7:45 p.m.	Movie Night: Jaws

Participate in the annual Canned Food Drive! The Community Action Council of Howard County will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Howard County Food Bank at all Sunset Serenades concerts. For more information about CAC, visit www.cac-hc.org.

The History Behind the Mansion

Enjoy a free stroll through history this Saturday, June 17, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The Columbia Association's Archives Director, Barbara Kellner, weaves the story behind Historic Oakland as part of the Juneteenth Celebration. From the mansion's beginning in 1811 through current day, she shares all that the mansion and its out buildings brought to Columbia. As part of the Civil War Trail, there are many secrets to share and learn about. If you are interested in attending this free event, please [register](#) in advance.

Roving Radish is Back!

Howard County's Roving Radish promotes healthy eating habits through meal kits comprised of locally and regionally grown foods straight from the farm to your table. The meal kits are available to anyone who works, plays or lives in Howard County and are offered at a discounted price to those in need. Vegetarian meal kits are now available. The Roving Radish is now accepting [online orders](#) for the 2017 season, or they can be reached by phone at 410-992-2049.

Columbia Association Open House Weekend

Saturday, June 24 and Sunday, June 25

Enjoy free classes, special activities, demos and more. Several CA facilities will offer free admission to non-members, including access to all amenities. Special offers for CA memberships and personal training will also be available. Anyone who preregisters will receive a "Playbook" via email which has coupons for a variety of programs and activities this summer.

For a full list of participating facilities, a schedule of activities and to preregister, please visit the [CA website](#).

Reminders & More

Deadline: Inner Arbor Trust Chair Art Contest

Due: June 16 by 11:59 p.m.

The Inner Arbor Trust, Inc. is celebrating the arts by inviting artists to create up to 10 unique pieces of art out of wooden Adirondack chairs. For more information and to fill out your application, visit the [Inner Arbor Trust's website](#).

Juneteenth Celebration

Saturday, June 17 ■ 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Historic Oakland

5430 Vantage Point Rd.

This event is free to the public with free snacks, museum tours, exhibits, lectures/presentations, vendors, and entertainment. The celebration continues with an adult cocktail dance party. Visit the [event website](#) for more information and to purchase your tickets.

Mommy and Me Art Play

Sunday, June 18 ■ 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Together, parents and toddlers will explore colors, shapes and textures using various age-appropriate tools and art supplies. This event is appropriate for children ages 2 to 5 years old. Visit the [online Spring Brochure](#) for more information and pricing on youth and adult classes, workshops and events.

Art Play Day

Saturday, June 24 ■ 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Free for everyone! Enjoy a day of clay play, tie-dye, experimental painting workshops and more. For more information, call 410-730-0075 or send an [email](#) to the Columbia Association.

The Longest Table

Thursday, June 28 ■ 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Howard Community College

The first of its kind in Maryland, guests will have the opportunity to exchange stories about life in our diverse community and find common ground. Dinner will be provided. Visit [Choose Civility's website](#) for more information.



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